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THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (b) The Government of India is implementing a centrally sponsored scheme for Modernisation of Madarsas since 1993. In the Xth Plan this has been merged with the Area Intensive Programme for Educationally Backward Minorities. Under this, assistance is given to volunteering Madarsas for teaching modern subjects like science, mathematics and social studies besides for establishing modern libraries.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Foreign aid for Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan

3377. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of foreign aid received during the last three years for Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA)

(b) the details of the share out of foreign aid spent on SSA in Himachal Pradesh during the last three years, year-wise;

(c) whether Government are contemplating to introduce District Primary Education Programme (DPEP) in Himachal Pradesh to acquire the permanent literacy; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) and (b) The year-wise foreign funding utilised for financing the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) programme is as under:.

(Rs. in crore)

Year	External Funding Reimbursement received
2004-05	1047.65
2005-06	2341.98
2006-07	1091.61
TOTAL:	4481.24

(c) No, Sir.

(d) SSA is being implemented in all districts of Himachal Pradesh.

Infrastructure in academic staff colleges

3378. SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether over 50 academic staff colleges launched by UGC under the Education Policy in 1986 at various universities in the country have adequate infrastructure and facilities like full-time Director, permanent faculty, full-fledged building, etc.;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Academic Staff College of Delhi University (known as CPDHE) has a full-time Director as is provided in the provisions of CPDHE;

(d) if not, the reasons thereof; and

(e) the steps the University of Delhi is taking to fill up the post of Director on full-time basis?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (b) As per the information furnished by University Grants Commission (UGC), 57 Academic Staff Colleges (ASC) are functioning at various universities. The UGC has sanctioned posts to each ASC, as per norms. The posts sanctioned are temporary and the tenure of these posts is extended from one Five Year Plan to another. Non availability of suitable accommodation for the participants and resource persons is a problem in ASCs.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e) Prof. K.N. Tripathi of the University of Delhi is officiating as Director of the Academic Staff College of Delhi University since 25.4.2007. The post has been advertised on several occasions and the Selection Committee after interviewing candidates on 24.3.2005 has recommended